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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: EINV ENRG PFOR EC
SUBJ: GULF-GOE NEGOTIATIONS

1. NEGOTIATIONS HIT A SNAG THIS WEEK BECAUSE THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE REFUSED TO APPROVE THE BANK OF AMERICA-CEPE CONTRACT OPENING THE LETTER OF CREDIT, AND REFUSED TO AUTHROIZE A GOVERNMENT GUARANTEE FOR PAYMENT MADE UNDER TERMS OF THE LETTER OF CREDIT. (THESE DOCUEMENTS HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN APPROVED BY ALL PARTIES IN FEBRUARY.) THE BANK OF AMERICA THREATENED TO WITHDRAW FROM THE TRANSACTION IF ANY FURTHER CHANGES WERE MADE. (THE GOE WOULD HAVE FOUND IT ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO FIND ANOTHER BANK TO ISSUE THE LETTER OF CREDIT.)

2. THE AMBASSADOR SPOKE ON MAY 12 TO FINANCE MINISTER SEVILLA REGARDING THIS LATEST ROADBLOCK FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE. SEVILLA CALLED THE AMBASSADOR BACK THE FOLLOWING MORNING (TODAY) TO INFORM HIM THAT THE PROBLEM HAD BEEN RESOLVED, BY MEANS OF THE FINANCE MINISTRY ISSUING A GUARANTEE TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE TO COVER THE LATTER'S OBJECTIONS. THE DECREE AUTHORIZING THE GOE TO OPEN A LETTER OF CREDIT WITH THE BANK OF AMERICA WILL
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PRESUMABLY BE CLEARED FOR ENTRY INTO FORCE WITHIN A MATTER OF DAYS, IF NOT HOURS.

3. LOCAL GULF MANAGER JACK O'BRIEN INFORMED THE EMBASSY MAY 12 THAT THE NEW GOE DECREE AUTHORIZING THE SIGNING OF THE AGREEMENT HAD ALREADY BEEN SIGNED BY SEVERAL MINISTERS.
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